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SUBJECT: UN SPECIALIZED AGENCY BUDGETS: SOVIET PROPOSAL

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1. WE WILL NOT BE IN A POSITION TO PROVIDE A DEFINITIVE
RESPONSE TO SOVIET MISSION APPROACH REPORTED REFTTEL UNTIL
DIRECTION OF GENEVA GROUP ON FRENCH PROPOSAL HAS BEEN MORE
CLEARLY DETERMINED. HOWEVER, WE ARE IN PRINCIPLE SYMPATHE-
TIC TO SOME SORT OF PARALLEL ACTION WITH SOVIETS ON HOLDING
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DOWN BUDGET GROWTH OF UN SPECIALIZED AGENCIES. AS MENTIONED

IN STATE 220531, WE WOULD FAVOR INFORMING SOVIETS OF GENEVA GROUP APPROACHES TO SPECIALIZED AGENCY OFFICIALS BUT ONLY IF THESE APPROACHES MATERIALIZE. ON OTHER HAND, IF GENEVA GROUP EFFORT FIZZLES OUT WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO LOOK AT POSSIBILITY OF CLOSER COLLABORATION WITH SOVIETS AND OTHER MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS GENUINELY INTERESTED IN RESTRAINING SPECIALIZED AGENCIES' BUDGET GROWTH (E.G., JAPAN).

2. U.S. MISSION MAY INFORM SOVIETS THAT U.S. IS IN PRINCIPLE INTERESTED IN PROPOSED COOPERATION IN RESTRAINING BUDGET GROWTH OF SPECIALIZED AGENCIES ALTHOUGH ILO BUDGET IS NOT AN APPROPRIATE SUBJECT AT THIS TIME. FYI: AS NOTED PARA 5 OF STATE 220531, WE WOULD NOT FAVOR ANY COOPERATIVE

EFFORT ON ILO BUDGET AT THIS STAGE BECAUSE OF OUR SPECIAL PROBLEM WITH THAT AGENCY. END FYI. U.S. MISSION SHOULD ALSO INFORM SOVIETS THAT WE ASSUME EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WOULD TAKE SAME RESTRICTIVE BUDGET GROWTH APPROACH AS DO SOVIETS.

3. MISSION SHOULD ALSO INFORM GENEVA GROUP OF SOVIET APPROACH AND MENTION POSSIBILITY OF EVENTUAL SOVIET COOPERATION WITH GENEVA GROUP EFFORTS ALONG LINES LAST SENTENCE OF PARA 7 OF STATE 220531. KISSINGER

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